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Doughty escorted from school meeting

Angry crowd demands superintendent's ouster; no business conducted

By Scott Cousins
 Staff writer

VENICE With an angry crowd shouting "Doughty got to go," Venice School Superintendent James Doughty was escorted to his car and out of town by police

after Thursday's School Board meeting.

No business was conducted at the meeting, which lasted about 15 minutes.

About 60 angry residents and parents crowded into the board room, but the board adjourned rather than move the meeting to a larger place.

Board President Alveste

Salmond said the meeting was adjourned because they would not have been able to conduct business.

"We didn't feel we could hold the meeting in an orderly fashion," she said. "Probably the board members will get together and set up a time to hear the people's concerns."

School Board member Metro

Pierson said something needs to be done about the situation.

"It's continuing to boil over," she said. "I don't think it's going to stop until we hear them."

When the meeting began at 7 p.m., the board room was standing room only and more people were coming in. Several residents asked that the

meeting be moved to the gym to accommodate the crowds, but the board voted twice not to move the meeting.

Riedbold maintained that the board should have

After much discussion and arguing between parents and board members, the board voted to adjourn the meeting

after being advised by police officers that they should move it to a larger place.

All the votes were 4-2, with Salmond, Karen Watkins, Sandra Harris and James Harrell on one side and Metro Pierson and William Tyler on

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Granite City High School students Sarah Breidenbach, left, and Robyn Slater look on as veterinary technician April Porter, right, and Dr. Larry Davis, a veterinarian at Animal Care Center on Maryville Road, perform a procedure on an animal as part of a job-shadowing program offered at GCHS.

Scott Cousins photo

GC School Board suspends Riebold 'Insubordination' cited for move

The continuing controversy over the transfer of a popular Granite City High School teacher has taken another twist.

CATHY RIEBOLD, the GCHS teacher who was transferred by the district to Grigsby Middle School for disciplinary reasons, was suspended by the Granite City School District for two days for what the board called

"insubordination."

Tom Holloway, the district's administrative assistant for secondary education, said that Riebold's suspension had been imposed by the board and her supporters attending the last two board meetings.

Rhonda Tipler, who has been in support of Riebold from the beginning, said that Riebold

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They sure are, especially in the Granite City Summerstage production of "Nonsense A-Men!" the all-male version of the rollicking musical comedy "Nunsense." The play will be staged at the Summerstage theatre, 2906 Pershing Ave., at 7:30 p.m. March 19 and 20 and at 2 p.m. March 21. Tickets are \$7 and can be reserved by calling the box office at 451-1032.

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Teacher leaves gift to Granite schools

Balen: Kids benefit from Edwards

By Mike Hell
 Staff writer

GRANITE CITY



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education. Everybody in the district is extremely grateful to Mrs. Edwards.

Balen said the money will be used as a loan program in which students will pay back the money loaned to them.

"This is what she wanted, but we won't know when we will receive the money or how it will be used through the program," he said. "We will be able to answer those questions in April when the will is probated."

The money will be used, Balen said, for students who are "academically in the mid-range" and who do not have the "monetary means" to further their education.

"The money will send a lot of these school who would not have had the chance," Balen said.

Balen said that Edwards' bequests will affect students who could easily pursue their educational goals because of their "intellectual abilities."

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Problem Solved
 Mercedes-Benz adds five-speed to SLK
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George Arnsch photo
From left, Madison Police Chief Steve Skoklo and Sgt. Richard Ballew are given certificates of appreciation by Madison Mayor John Hamm, right, at Tuesday's Madison City Council meeting. The two were cited for their efforts in preventing a suicide at the Chain of Rocks Bridge recently. Two other officers were also honored at the meeting.

Four Madison police officers honored at council meeting

Efforts in robbery, suicide prevention cited

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

PONTOON BEACH Four Madison police officers were honored for their actions in two separate incidents at Tuesday's City Council Meeting.

Sgt. Chris Burns, Patrolman Jim Hutchings, Sgt. Richard Ballew and Chief Steve Skoklo were given certificates of appreciation.

Burns and Hutchings were honored for their efforts in the capture of Torrel S. Prothro, who was accused of robbing a convenience store with a handgun Jan. 15.

Prothro is in custody in the Madison County jail awaiting trial on that and several other charges.

Prothro allegedly entered the store and asked the clerk for matches and change to make a telephone call. The clerk told police she went to get the matches, but when she turned back around Prothro "slammed" a gun to the counter and demanded money. He left the store with about \$375.

He then allegedly ripped the store's telephone out and fled, but was spotted by a Venice

police officer who had just pulled into the parking lot.

According to a letter read at the council meeting, the two officers were searching the area when they saw Prothro running in the 1100 block of Washington Avenue. The two officers eventually caught Prothro.

The officers also recovered all of the stolen money.

The letter said the two showed "the quality, alertness

and dependability of our police officers."

Ballew and Skoklo were honored for talking a man out of jumping off the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge March 3.

At about 8:30 p.m., Ballew was walking across the bridge to check an alarm. He found a suicidal man hanging over the river on the bridge's superstructure. Ballew and Skoklo, were able to convince the man not to jump.

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Denham's name stays on Pontoon Beach April ballot

Hackett rules against mayoral rival

By Curtiss A. Hartley
Staff writer

Jim Denham's name will remain on the ballot for mayor of Pontoon Beach following a ruling Friday by Madison County Associate Judge James Hackett.

MADISON Hackett upheld the decision of the

Pontoon Beach Election Board on an objection filed by Pontoon Beach Police Chief Mike Crouch.

Crouch asked the Election Board to remove Denham's name from the ballot, citing Denham's failure to register him as an independent nominating petition and because he filed as an independent candidate, though he is a member of the New Beginnings Party.

The Election Board voted 2-1 that those "technicalities" did not justify removing Denham's name, a decision Crouch appealed. The appeal was the subject of a two-hour hearing Thursday before Hackett.

A motion to remove the

Pontoon Beach Election Board's attorney was the opening salvo in the hearing. Two of three Election Board members

— Village Clerk Mary Rowden and Trustee Irene Karlechik, the chairman — were present during a special meeting last Sunday to hire an attorney for the Election Board. Trustee Bob Abel, the third member, did not attend that meeting.

At last week's Pontoon Beach Village Board meeting, the board voted 4-3 against Karlechik and Abel's decision.

Brian Polinske, Pontoon Beach Village Attorney, claimed that without the village board's approval, the Election Board could not hire its own attorney. Abel sat with Polinske during Thursday's hearing.

"Only the village board has the authority to extend money to hire an attorney," Polinske said. "The village has never extended that authority to the election board."

Casper Nighohossian,

representing the Election Board, argued that by default, the commission will keep its current representation, giving it the right to hire its own attorney.

"Mr. Polinske hasn't filed notice to appear (on behalf of the Election Board), so he has no authority to represent the Election Board," Nighohossian said.

Hackett didn't address either motion, saying in his three-page order that most of the issues raised within the hearing did not require a decision to be made. He ruled only on Denham's retention as a candidate.

Attorneys representing Crouch and Denham entered the melee where all four attorneys sparred over representation, statutory time limits and state court precedents in the hearing.

Denham, who was not present, could not be reached for comment.

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Madison orders crackdown on slack out-of-town landlords

Some 300 citations being issued, mayor says

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Landlords in the city of Madison who are not in compliance with building or code are facing fines and the possible loss of their occupancy permits.

MADISON An estimated 300 citations

are expected to be issued in the coming week, said Mayor John Hamm.

At Tuesday's City Council meeting, Hamm said they are starting to crack down on out-of-town landlords who do not take care of their property.

"The push right now is to get landlords into compliance," he said. "I feel they get a pretty good harvest of money out of our community; they should come into compliance with our ordinances."

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John Hamm
Madison Mayor

Problems with absentee landlords are an ongoing concern in Madison.

Of the approximately 2,400 residential properties in the city, about 1,000 are rentals, many with a high turnover rate.

Those not in compliance face fines of \$50 to \$750. The cases will be handled through the city's administrative hearing officer.

However, Hamm said citations can be handled before the hearing date.

"If they come into compliance, then we won't be a fine," Hamm said. "I feel it's only fair to have them come into compliance because we have a large number of landlords who are in compliance."

Hamm also said that landlords who do not come into compliance may lose their occupancy permits or new permits will not be issued if they do not come into compliance.

In other business, the council bid a \$4,502 to remove old fuel tanks from the city garage and former city hall on Third Street.

be very crowded. It will be a pack-your-lunch type situation," he said.

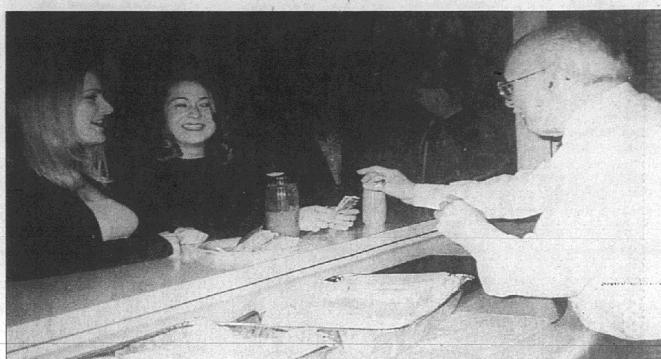
Because of the expected high number of cases, the council approved hiring attorney Scott Cain as a backup hearing officer.

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Shirley Valencia photo

In memory of Joe

Granite City Mexican Honorary Commission President John Valencia serves up tacos to a pair of party-goers at the recent MHC Joseph Gonzalez Scholarship Fund Dance at the AMVETS Hall in Madison. Proceeds from the event go to the fund, which is named for a Granite City High School counselor who was killed in a 1971 auto accident. Some 400 people were in attendance at the event.

Two Pontoon men arrested after local vandalism spree

By Mike Heil
Staff writer

Two persons who vandalized the Granite City area Tuesday and Wednesday remain in Madison County Jail, with bail set at \$50,000.

William Helm, 19, of 7 Barbara Court, Pontoon Beach,

and Joseph Wadlermann, 17, of 29 Fountainbleau, Pontoon Beach, were charged Thursday with six counts of auto burglary and one count each of garage burglary and offenses related to auto.

According to Granite City police, officers who responded to the 3300 block of Colgate

Avenue Wednesday in reference to a car break-in saw one of two suspects smash a window of a parked car with a baseball bat.

The suspects fled, according to police, in a blue vehicle after taking items from the vehicle. They were apprehended at gunpoint.

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Riebold suspended by GC School Board

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found out she was suspended without pay when she was handed a letter from a Grigsby administrator. The letter, Tipton said, was from Granite City School Board member Superintendent Steve Balen.

Riebold could not be reached for comment.

Tuesday night, Riebold's supporters once again found themselves in the hallway after the Granite City School Board called an executive

session for the second consecutive board meeting.

It was called shortly after the meeting began to address issues concerning negotiations, legal matters and personnel decisions.

Many Riebold supporters, however, thought the session was called to deny them an opportunity to speak on Riebold's behalf.

Sindy Cochran, one of about 30 Riebold supporters attending, voiced her

displeasure by saying the board never had any intention to let them speak, even though there was suppose to be dialogue.

"They lied. They knew they didn't give us an opportunity to speak what was on our minds. This is disgraceful," Cochran said.

Pam Pool, whose daughter attends Granite City High School, said because the two who handled Riebold's transfer she no longer has confidence in the board and would like to see personnel changes.

"We feel the board members don't care about the kids anymore. We feel a change is needed," Pool said.

Late teacher's gift benefits GC students

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Edwards believed that everyone should have a chance to pursue their "dreams and ambitions through education."

Edwards taught second grade at Niedringhaus Elementary School from 1960 to 1980. Her small classroom was comprised of about 30 students.

People who knew her well said she was "dedicated to education" and was "kind and generous."

Linda Mizell, a resource teacher at Niedringhaus who taught second grade in the early 1960s with Edwards, said she was surprised to learn that the former schoolteacher had willed the school such a large amount of money.

"Education was a big part of Elizabeth Edwards' life."

Linda Mizell
Former colleague

her way to help somebody in need."

Kathy Lenz, who taught first grade at Niedringhaus in the late 1960s and early 1970s, said she knew Edwards well.

"She was a generous person. Now she's spread her generosity so students in the district can have a brighter future," Lenz said. "That's how she was. She thought of others."

Edwards died in May after a long bout with diabetes. She had lost a toe and a leg because of the disease.

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Where Beautiful Things Begin

Anything can happen in the month of March. A balmy, spring-like day can be followed by one with three inches of snow. But nonetheless, for the most part, March signals the real beginning of the serious outdoor work.

If you plan on rototilling, give the soil a test before renting the machine. Pick up a clump of garden soil and gently squeeze it in your hand. If it crumbles apart when you open your hand, it's ready for cultivation. If it's moist and stays packed together in a clump, it's not ready. Wait until it dries sufficiently before rototilling.

Never operated a power tiller before? It'll take a few passes to get used to it. It seems to have a mind of its own, but it's not that tough.

As your spring flowering bulbs begin to sprout, gently remove any deep winter mulches over bulb beds. Pay close attention to those planted near south and west sides of your home, since they'll most likely sprout first, due to the warmer ground temperatures.

Light mulches can be left in place as long as they aren't threatening to damage emerging shoots. Once winter has had its say and has bid us adieu, the mulches can be removed.

If you haven't prepared your garden tools yet, do so as soon as possible, so they'll be ready when you are.

Have you checked your outdoor furniture? Perhaps some could stand a coat of paint or two. Maybe some bolts need retightening. After all, you don't want to lie down in that nice relaxing chaise on the first day and have it buckle and slowly collapse beneath you.

On the subject of chaises, ask anyone what it's called, and chances are they'll tell you it's a chaise lounge. Wrong! Check the spelling. It's actually "longue." But since the word "lounge" sounds and fits the situation better, "lounge" is fine.

If you've been procrastinating, waiting for the cold weather to break, March offers the opportunity you and/or your spouse have been waiting for. The outdoor Christmas lights can finally be taken down!

Don't neglect the birds. If you've been feeding them throughout the winter, they're depending on you, so don't disappoint them. And besides, the gentle sounds of nearby birds can captivate and proclaim spring's arrival like nothing else.

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Rainy Day Fund should be started before downturn

Illinois one of five states without such a provision

By State Rep. Jay Hoffman

Should the state of Illinois save money for a rainy day? I believe the answer is yes.

I am currently co-sponsoring legislation with Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan and Illinois Comptroller Dan Hynes to create Illinois' first Rainy Day Fund.

The legislation would create a reserve of money so the state could use it in case one of the state's incoming revenues stall in the event of an economic downturn.

Illinois is just one of five states in the entire nation that does not currently put money away for that purpose. I believe it is time Illinois became responsible for its own budget.

Initially, the legislation would start the fund at \$100 million.

Over time, each year of the next seven years, Illinois would then add this fund to \$300 million.

While this may be a modest start, it is a step in the right direction.

Right now, the state expects to have a healthy balance at the end of the fiscal year, so the time is right to get the Rainy Day Fund started. In fact, experts like Alan Greenspan foresee a bright future for the next couple of years.

Unfortunately, while our economy is good now, there is no doubt that this good fortune will not last forever.

If this legislation passes, we must be ready. With the establishment of the Rainy Day Fund, the state can continue to pay its bills in a timely manner and prevent increasing debts.

For the taxpayer, this means that the state can refrain from creating any new taxes for a longer period of time. Hopefully, if the economy is not bad and short-lived, the state can refrain from creating any new taxes, period.

This legislation makes Illinois more responsible for its own budget and it will ease the burden on taxpayers when the economy is not so strong.

Each of us would like to see that our personal accounts are balanced and prepared in advance to ensure that we can put food on the table for our families after all the bills are paid. The state should be equally, if not more, responsible. After all, it is your money that the state is spending.

The legislation recently was voted out of the Illinois House General Assembly's Appropriations Committee. The legislation now will be heard before the full body of the Illinois House, and I intend to offer it my full support.

If you would like more information on this issue, or any other state issue, please feel free to contact me. The Edwardsville office is located at 801 St. Louis Ave., with offices hours from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. The Edwardsville office number is 692-9710.

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Tobacco war far from over

To The Editor:

Just weeks ago, Illinois joined 45 other states and signed an agreement with cigarette manufacturers that included claims for health care reimbursement cost associated with tobacco-related illnesses.

And while some of the \$9.1 billion and the other provisions included in the settlement as a victory, the war against tobacco in Illinois is far from over.

The American Cancer Society appreciates all the hard work by Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan to bring and keep the public health crisis in the forefront of the society.

We must now work together and make certain our state leaders and the public health measures needed to curb cancer caused by tobacco.

It must now be our job and the job of the public legislature to do the right thing with the funds that will come to the state.

For the American Cancer Society, this deal is not about money; it is about protecting the public.

Too many lives in our state are lost to an industry that has

not been honest with our citizens.

The funds must be directed to deal with both the adult and youth population of our state.

Illinois now has the opportunity to develop a comprehensive statewide cancer control program that addresses the issue of tobacco in our state.

Now is not the time for politics.

It is time we do what is right by securing tough tobacco control policies that will help reduce the damages caused by tobacco to our society.

We must pass laws that strengthen the Illinois Clean Indoor Air Act and laws to increase retailers who sell tobacco.

The American Cancer Society pledges to work with our legislators to ensure that the public health is best served by this settlement.

For the Illinois Division of the American Cancer Society, the work involved in prevention is by no means finished.

We will continue to fight for public health measures that will prevent children from using tobacco and help adults stop.

The agreement by the state and the tobacco industry moves us to a different level in

our war, but we still have a long road ahead.

Thomas Houston, MD
Illinois Division
American Cancer Society
Chicago

Time for change in Pontoon Beach

To The Editor:

Until recently, I had been a resident of Pontoon Beach since 1985. I have known the majority of the village trustees and police officers.

Most of them I call friends and was proud to do so until recently.

When I first learned of the way the "elected" village clerk, Mary Rowden, was being treated by some of the other trustees and appointed officials, I was shocked at this behavior and the mayor allowing this to take place. She was moved to a small basement room in her office located in a super-glued

One should not be forced to work under these types of conditions, including threats from an appointed village official.

This is only a minor part of the hostile work environment inside "your" village hall. Do the residents of Pontoon Beach want to continue allowing the village officials and this type of mentality to represent the village?

I am proud to see that Jim Denner is working with individuals who choose to stand beside him, having the courage to throw their hats in the political area for a "New Beginning" for the village.

He was a neighbor, a colleague and someone I am

proud to call a friend. If residents of Pontoon Beach have been going on in their village hall by some of the elected and appointed officials, you would say that the president of the United States would be a saint.

Very few residents would take a long, hard look at what needs to change for your village to come together as one. It has been divided far too long and it is time for a new beginning. You now have a chance to make that difference on April 13.

We are all in awe of the new millennium and the year 2000. The time for Pontoon Beach is now.

Bridget Ashford
Pontoon Beach

Thanks very much
for your support

To The Editor:
To past and present
members of Granite City Steel
and Community Federal Credit
Union:

I began my employment with the Credit Union on Oct. 29, 1973, as a junior clerk. Before you are members of the credit union, I always considered you as my employers. Working for you enabled me to raise and educate a family. Thank you.

I have been fortunate to see many of you through the years of employment. I consider many of my friends.

Thank you.

I am on March 2, 1999. My last position was member service representative for titles and insurance; that was too much.

Kathleen Beljanaski-Zeliger
Granite City

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Obituaries

Robert Corbett

Robert Corbett, 80, of Granite City, Ill., died March 13, 1999. He was born in Tennessee. Mr. Corbett was a sergeant first class in the Army Air Corps, completed two tours in Korea.

Survivors include his wife, Alice, of Granite City; two sons, Steward of Granite City, Ill., and Mae Davis of Ogallala, Neb.; a son, Steve, of Ogallala, Neb.; a daughter, Linda, of Belleville; two brothers, James and Stephen, of Corbett City, Ill.; and Terry and Michael, of Webster, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Corbett, 82, of Ogallala, Neb.

Calvin Elmendorf, 81, of Granite City, died at 12:45 a.m. March 10, 1999, at Health Center in Granite City.



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Edwardsville triplet girl has lupus; fund-raiser scheduled

By Dennis Grubaugh
Staff writer

Doctors plan an extensive study of a set of 8-year-old triplets, one of whom has developed lupus and is the subject of a community fund-raiser.

A benefit is being planned March 20 for Callie Rickard, the daughter of Randy Rickard and Michael Vieth, both of Edwardsville. Callie is suffering from systemic lupus, a disease that is taking its toll on her kidneys.

"It started out as a rash on her face that wouldn't go away," her father said. "They did a blood test and found a lot of protein in her blood. One thing led to another, and they did a kidney biopsy on her and showed what it was."

Lupus is rare in a child, rarer still in a set of triplets, and doctors want to make sure the disease is not common among Callie's sisters, Abby and Brittney.

"They are going to do a battery of tests. They're going to use the girls as a case study to see if there is something going on with the other two," Vieth said. "We have to find out if the other two have it."

Lupus usually attacks women in their 30s and 40s, she said.

Callie's symptoms were noticed first last August, but it took a couple of months to pinpoint the cause.

"This is the first time as discoid lupus, primarily affecting the skin," the mother said. It quickly moved to the second stage, systemic, and began to attack the kidneys.

Lupus has no cure and there is much question in the medical community about the best means to treat it.

Callie received immunotherapy once a month at SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis. The four-hour process is done through an IV and requires overnight hospitalization.

The chemotherapy slows down her immune system and helps the "kidney filters" function correctly, her mother said.

She must also take the steroid Prednisone, which causes swelling and makes her look a little more round-faced than her identical sisters, her father said.

Callie sees a rheumatologist for her lupus at Saint Louis University and a nephrologist — currently — at Cardinal Glennon. She also must go on occasion to the Anheuser-Busch Eye Institute in St. Louis for vision checks, because lupus can affect the eyes, although it hasn't so far for Callie.

Sen. Fitzgerald seeking interns

The Washington and Illinois offices of U.S. Sen. Peter Fitzgerald are accepting applications for the 1999 summer internship program.

The program is designed specifically for students who have an interest in U.S. government. Interns will have the opportunity to work alongside the senator and his staff and observe the legislative process first hand.

College students beyond their freshman year are encouraged to apply. Applicants should be able to commit to a summer internship which will begin May 15 and conclude around Aug. 15.

For more information about the internship program, call Washington Intern Coordinator Susan Anderson at (202) 224-2854 or Fitzgerald's Chicago office at (312) 886-3506.

To apply for an internship in Washington, send a cover letter and resume to: Senator H. H. Heidenreich, 555 Dirksen Building, Washington, D.C., 20510.

Draper to speak

James T. Draper Jr., president of LifeWay Christian Resources, the educational arm of the Southern Baptist Convention, will be the guest speaker March 14 at First Baptist Church of Waterloo.

The Church Ladies, a popular local group, will also sing at the service. Their program includes everything from oldies to gospel and they will perform many gospel favorites.

Also upcoming at First Baptist will be "Christ in the Passover," a presentation by Garret Smith of Jews for Jesus at 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. March 21.

Insurance is paying 80 percent of the bills, but that still leaves an average \$3,000 in unpaid expenses each month, friends said.

A chicken and beer benefit dance will start at 6 p.m.

March 20 at the Edwardsville Moose Lodge 1561, 506 Goshen Road.

"The Moose Lodge does two benefits a year, and word got around that Callie had this and they selected her," Rickard said.

Jim Bain of Edwardsville, the benefit chairman, said donation of auction items is appreciated. He can be

contacted at 655-8501.

Cash donations are being accepted through the Edwardsville Moose Lodge, P.O. Box 279, Edwardsville, Ill., 62025; or The BANK of Edwardsville, Callie Rickard

amazingly similar story, a triplet girl with lupus, just a little older than her own daughter. She said she is anxious to talk to her and anyone else who has information on the disease.

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**Arena
memories**

McKendree's
victory vs.
St. Louis U.
was unforgettable

By now you've heard
enough memories of the St.
Louis Arena to be happy the old
barn has been blown away.

However, without adding
to the bore with a barrage of my Arena memorables, I
thought I would refer one
from the days when it was
called the Checker-
dome.

As you might
suspect, my fond memory
relates to southwestern Illinois
and to McKendree
College in particular
because on a December
evening in 1980, the men of
Bearcats basketball defeated
St. Louis University 64-55 at
the Checker-dome.

"It was an enjoyable
evening," McKendree coach
Harry Statham told me the
recently as he prepared for
another postseason after
already becoming the state's
all-time career winning leader
earlier this season.

"They gave us a \$2,000
guarantee for playing there
and we accepted it in one of the suites after the
game," said Statham. "We
pretty well controlled the game and seemed to have
almost as many spectators
there as in the arena."

One of those estimated
3,500 spectators was this
scribe and as I told
Statham, "I'll tell all my
bragging. I should have bet
on the game."

For St. Louis University,
the non-conference game
was one of the few the
wrestlers had scheduled to start that
season — the third year
during the tenure of coach
Ron Eckert. St. Louis
University had opened with a
91-51 rout of William
Jewell, but whatever
optimism that win generated
was wiped out by
McKendree.

"We already had a few
games under out belt, and
that helped us," said
Statham.

But what did not help
McKendree was that two of
its eventual starters — John
Jankowski and Steve Lauter
— could not play against St.
Louis University.

"We were there in street
clothes and were not eligible
until January," Statham
said.

Thus, while former
Nashville High star
Jankowski fought on, Lauter
and later Lauter watched,
the Bearcats roster featured
former Belleville East
players Gary Haverman,
Jeff Lauter and Andy
Kieschnick, as well as Dan
Dobkins (Pittsfield), Rick
Klingelhoefer (Mascoutah)
and rod Herrin (Benton).

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**Sports
Views**



Granite City track coach Gene Briggs talks to members of the Warriors girls track team.

Tim Stephenson photo

Sports

sports on-line, www.yourjournal.com

Slow it down Tigers beat Lancers in low-scoring game

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Team on track with talented cast of kids

Warriors boast large turnout

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

At Granite City, track is for
kids — lots of kids.

**PREP
TRACK**

more than 95 interested
participants come out in the
early days of practice.

"We were very pleased with
our seasonal results last
year," said Granite City coach
Gene Briggs said. "We felt our
varsity teams were extremely

competitive, and we're talking
about one of the toughest, most
competitive areas in the state.

The Granite City boys were
state champs last year and the
girls from Lincoln are always
a perennial power.

"O'Fallon, Edwardsville, the
Bentonville schools, Alton,
Collinsville, they all have great
track programs. In order to be
successful against those kinds
of teams, we have to be pretty
good. The fact that we were

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Missouri pins down Illinois in grudge match

**Metro East wins
more matches
but loses 33-26**

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

As one of the main
metropolitan regions in
Missouri, the St. Louis/St.
Charles area high school
wrestlers annually take
home plenty of medals from the
Missouri High School
Activities Association's state
championship meet.

Southwestern Illinois
wrestlers have a little harder
time getting medals from the
IHSAA state meet.

On Wednesday night,
wrestlers from both sides of
river battled for superiority on
the equal footing of a wrestling
mat.

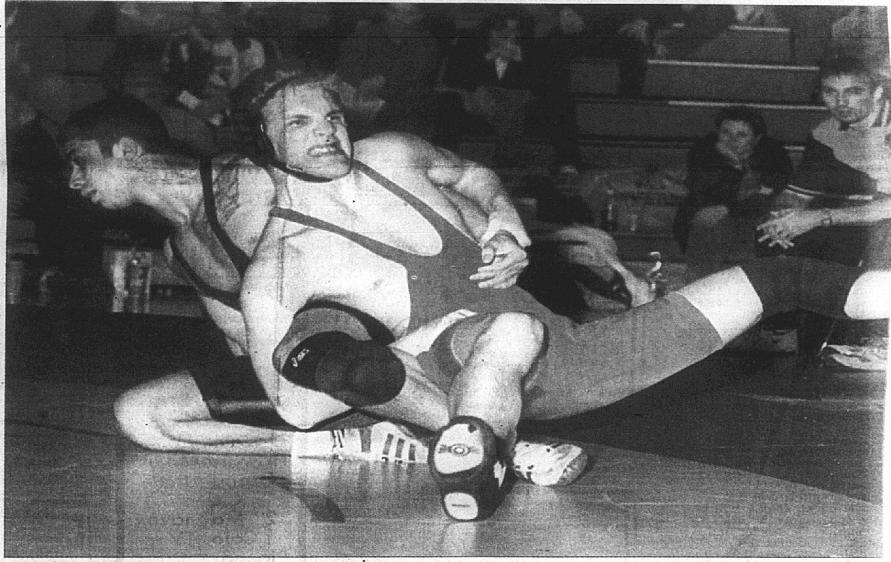
In the 23rd annual East/West
All-Star Wrestling Classic at
Meramec Community College,
the Missouri wrestlers held off
the Illinois team for a 33-26
victory.

The match essentially was
clinched for Missouri in the
171-pound match between
331-lb. Missouri's Mike Fugge
(Oakville, Mo.) merely had to
stay off his back against Sean
Box of Edwardsville.

Box posted a 12-2 win and
Illinois won the next three
matches but couldn't outscore
the Missourians.

For the night, Illinois won
seven of the 18 matches but
Missouri won two by fall and
Illinois by default. Illinois had two
major decisions and one pin.

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Granite City's Brooks Narvaez (left) battled Ed Wagner of south St. Louis County Lindbergh High School during the East/West All-Star Wrestling Classic on Wednesday night at Meramec Community College in Kirkwood. Narvaez won his match — as did Granite City teammates Kevin Venne and Justin Hale — but the Illinois team dropped a 33-26 decision to Missouri.

John Conrey photo

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Cardinals

Granite City's Stovall earns scholarship

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

At the Granite City High School awards banquet Thursday night, principal William Rotter noted that Kristin Stovall was the girl who forever sit atop the record books at Granite City.

Stovall is the first girls bowler from Granite City to compete in the PBA Girl's tournament. She was the most outstanding athlete on the first-year girls bowling team and her excellence was acknowledged by a local bowling booster group.

Stovall received a scholarship from the Men's 700 Club for more than just her athletic excellence.

The Men's 700 Club is an organization of bowlers from the Metro East area that are real big supporters of the Southern Illinois High School Boys and Girls. Granite City bowling coach Bill Puhse said, "They set up the scholarships. They had two scholarships that they gave away to one girl to one to a boy and one to a girl."

"They were not necessarily for the highest-average bowler,"

Warriors senior honored for athletics, academics, service

They were for the well-rounded bowler, somebody who was in our conference, but someone who also showed high scholastic standards and service to their school and was very active in their school.

Kristin was the recipient of the girls award this year, so that was a \$500 scholarship that she received for them.

"I think that she was totally shocked that she was going to get it. I kind of had a feeling that she would get it, but I didn't want to tell her that."

"I thought it went pretty well," Stovall said. "I got better after every match and Coach Puhse really helped me out."

"At the beginning of the season, since this was her first season, she started off kind of slow," Puhse said. "She was kind of frustrated at the beginning of the year because she is used to succeeding in sports. She just worked really hard. She went and got a new bowling ball and had it drilled

for her. She just started showing great improvement as the season went on."

"She started off the season averaging about 145 and ended up, when we went to sectionals, averaging 164 for the year. We bowled at sectional. Then at state, even with having a really rough morning, she came back in the afternoon and averaged in the 160s and ended up averaging around 160 for the state tournament. And that was with a lot of pressure on her. So she really made great strides throughout the season for her

games and her bowling. Even at state, she had her first ever clean game in competition — which means she had one game where she had no open spares and

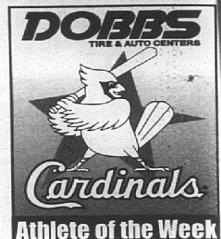
strikes. She was just so excited to do that. And that was one of the goals that we had during the season, to have a bowl a clean game where you don't have opens in them and you pick your spares."

"Everything was coming together at that point. It was just great to see her finally get to that point and achieve that, when she had struggled so much earlier in the season. She was really pleased to represent our school at state. Just to get there was great."

The scholarship will help Kristin with the most important thing — school. But there may yet be lanes that open up ahead of her in the future.

"I might bowl in college, I'm not really sure," Stovall

Bill Puhse
Granite City coach



Athlete of the Week

All-SWC teams

Southwestern Conference senior.

All-Conference Teams

GIRLS BASKETBALL

First Team
Rita Adams, East St. Louis, senior.
Autumn Dow, Collinsville, senior.
LaKesha Cole, East St. Louis, senior.
Danielle Lawary, Belleville West, senior.
Kelli Carroll, Edwardsville, sophomore.

Second Team
Larecia Blockum, Belleville West, senior.
Ebony Hallburton, Belleville East, sophomore.
Debra Aaron, Granite City, senior.
Erin Gusewelle, Edwardsville, junior.
Amy Loftus, Collinsville, junior.

Honorable Mention
Rachelle Stabenfeld, Collinsville.
Latasha Hunter, East St. Louis.
Lutisha Davis, East St. Louis.
Sharika Satterwhite, East St. Louis.
Jessica Wallace, Granite City.
Chrissy Daco, Belleville East.
Karyle Penelton, Edwardsville.
Lindsay Anderson, Edwardsville.

Boys Basketball
First Team
Darius Miles, East St. Louis, junior.
Dan Lytle, Edwardsville, senior.
Stetson Hairston, Belleville East, junior.
Edward Snipes, Alton, junior.
Terry Tessary, Collinsville, sophomore.

Second Team
DeMarco Smith, Belleville West, junior.
Matt Turner, Edwardsville, senior.
Shaun Moore, Collinsville, senior.
Dariel Hawkins, East St. Louis, senior.
Matt Pistorius, Granite City, junior.
Philip Gilbert, East St. Louis, junior.
Zack May, Granite City, junior.

Honorable Mention
Justin Mason, Belleville East, senior.
Lee Heard, Alton, senior.
Neal O'Donnell, Belleville West, senior.
Doris Williams, Belleville West, senior.
Charles Banks, Alton, senior.
Jaron Wheeler, Alton, senior.
Chris Schaffer, Collinsville, senior.

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First Team

103 pounds — Steve Peach, Granite City.
112 — Joe Trtan, Granite City.
119 — Joe Rujawitz, Belleville West.
125 — Dusty Carpenter, Belleville West.
130 — Nick Bellamy, Alton.
135 — Marc Justice, Collinsville.
142 — Mike Brenner, Belleville East.
145 — Scott Radcliff, Edwardsville.
152 — Brooks Narvaez, Granite City.
160 — George Kirgan, Granite City.
171 — Sean Box, Edwardsville.
178 — Joe Bevis, Edwardsville.
215 — Kevin Venne, Granite City.
275 — Nick Tarpoft, Edwardsville.

Second Team

103 — Brian Winters, Belleville West.
112 — Josh Crawford, Alton, and Chris Beshears, Collinsville.
110 — Tom Tedesco, Granite City.
125 — Paul Johnson, Granite City.
130 — Ian Law, Edwardsville.
132 — Mike Clabattoni, Belleville West.
140 — Mike Hargrove, East St. Louis.
145 — Ryan Worthen, Granite City.
152 — Corey Ford, Belleville West, and Matt Eliot, Alton.
160 — Tom Reed, Alton.
171 — Justin Hale, Granite City.
189 — Richard Ness, Belleville East.
215 — Kenny Lutz, Collinsville.
275 — Jeremy Genin, Belleville East.

Honorable Mention

103 — Aaron Winterberg, Alton; and Chris McLean, Edwardsville.
119 — Caleb Robinson, Edwardsville.
125 — Bill Demars, Belleville East, and Andy Garrison, Alton.
130 — Adrian Ortiz, Belleville East.
135 — Josh Mercer, Edwardsville.
140 — Dan Perozzi, Edwardsville.
152 — Wes Smith, Collinsville; and Jamey Hartley, Edwardsville.
160 — Jason Amos, Collinsville.
171 — Adam Taylor, East St. Louis, and Justin Carter, Belleville East.
189 — Jerrald Dachsteiner, Belleville West, and Bobby Gramm, Granite City.
215 — Rick Schubert, Belleville East, and Jerry Greenwood, Edwardsville.
278 — Shawna Schmeirbach, Belleville West.

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Trip to tourney finals caps fantastic season for BAC

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

The 1998-99 Belleville Area College men's basketball team wasn't the most talented or most successful group coach Jay Harrington had.

But in many ways, this was one of Harrington's most enjoyable seasons, and his team finished on a positive note. The unheralded Dutchmen got all the way to the finals of the Region A tournament before losing 46 to host John A. College, March 6 at Carterville.

"I've been in this business for 25 years, and this was the nicest group of kids I've ever dealt with, not only on the floor, but off the floor," Harrington said. "I think the whole community should be proud of what these kids accomplished and the type of kids they are."

"The only thing wrong with our team was that it was young. We had the highest win/loss record in BAC history, with 18 road games compared to 12 (home games). Our fall GPA (grade-point average) was 2.98 (on a 3.0 scale) and the average hours passed was 15.8."

Eighth-seeded BAC (18-15) upset top-seeded Southeastern Illinois 74-73 in the quarterfinals, then claimed an 83-78 semifinal win over No. 4 Wabash Valley.

"We were a minute and 20 seconds away from winning the championship game," Harrington said. "We had 23 turnovers, but if we had our last two free throws, it could have changed the outcome of the game."

"Our win over Southeastern marked the first time in a school year we won a first-round game (at the Region 24 tourney). Until the final game, we look care of the basketball a lot better. In January and February, we averaged 24 turnovers a game."

"We lost 15 games by an average of six points per game and we never got beat by

more than 10 points. This team rebounded to better than I expected us to and defensively we were the No. 1 team in the region. But we never did quite value the possession of the ball the way we should. Without all those 25 turnovers, we would have won 25 games."

BAC's roster included nine freshmen. "In many games we started four freshmen, we had our first winning season in four years," said Harrington. "Our team hadn't won a regional game since 1984. Since we've been here, we've won about 10 games. Our leading scorers, Brian Markus (Beeze Central) and Chico Brown (Edwardsville) averaged only 11 points a game, but we had Jermaine Taylor at 14 points a game. Mark Taylor, Brian Green, Brian points and Marquis Holmes, Bob Tobe (Highland) and Clint Sitzes (Belleville East) at eight points.

"It was the same thing with rebounds. Chico averaged eight per game, but everyone else was around six. We had a lot of players with a broken and it never did heal right, but he played with it that way since Jan. 4. They're putting a cast on it this week."

"When we got to the (regional) tournament, Mark and Kent Taylor carried us. They managed 17 points a game and made the all-tournament team."

Harrington expects at least six or seven of the freshmen to return next season.

"What we need to do is sign a six scholarship," Harrington said. "I want to sign a center and a power forward who can rebound. I want to sign a point guard who can back up Jermaine Taylor, who was all-conference. I also want two shooters/scorers and maybe a second big man."

Brown, a former offensive lineman on the University of Illinois football team, has signed a letter of intent to play basketball and football at South Dakota University, an NCAA Division II school.

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Grigsby thumps rival Coolidge

Gators boast 19-1 record, have 2 contests remaining

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

Grigsby's eighth-graders jumped out to a 7-0 lead in the first quarter and never trailed en route to a 22-10 victory over cross-town rival Coolidge Thursday afternoon.

"The Coolidge-Grigsby rivalry is older than well, not old, but it would be going some, but it's old," Grigsby coach Chuck Krauss said. "This is a very special game for both teams."

Seventh-grade Whitemy Sikes led the Gators with 10 points, and Kelly Harris chipped in with nine. Seven players scored in the game for Grigsby.

"Kelly Harris is really the backbone of our time, her and Jackie (Kacerka)," Krauss said. "We've only got nine players, but all of them play, are accountable and they enjoy what they are doing so much. It has been the most fun I have had in a long time."

"These are really good

athletes. I'm really privileged to be able to coach these kids. The talent and natural talent and ability that anybody could have gotten them to where they are right now. They have worked very hard to get where they are."

"I think they are sitting pretty 19-1 with two games to go. If the Gators can play out the string with victories at home against Bethalto Tuesday, and at Edwardsville Thursday, they'll wrap up the district title."

Edwardsville is the only team to top Grigsby this season, and it will be the forefront on the agenda.

"These girls have played under a lot of adversity all year," Krauss said. "I think we've got our girls to where they are every starter was there. But they've fought through it, the other kids have stepped up and it really is a team. They all get along and it's just a lot of fun. They are having fun, and I am having fun."

"Coolidge has got some great athletes, too. I think this eighth-grade class has got some kids from Holy Family

and St. Elizabeth coming in. The programs are really developing and I think the (Granite City High School) varsity has a good chance to really do some good things in the next four or five years."

The renovation has started already. It kicked into gear when the high school girls pulled a drastic 180 on the 3-20 district of the school to finish 10-2. The community has taken notice of the refurbished hot rod racing toward the future.

"I think everybody in Granite City is aware of that," Krauss said. "If you are a sports fan at all you couldn't help but notice our school girls, like Jessica Wallace, Jan Shanafelt and Debra Aaron leading them with (freshman) Erin Tyler coming up. They have Kelly Michel and Christy (Hart) coming up. They have a tremendous nucleus of talent up there and with these girls coming up next year the sky is the limit for them, really. I really think that they have a good chance to go somewhere."

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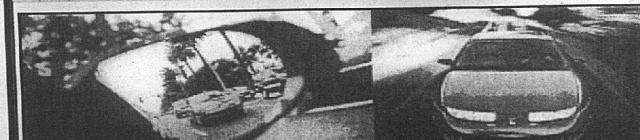


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Catherine Galasso

outshine the most expensive jewels.

"See life from the center rather than trying to grab all and take it in," suggests reader Edie Williams. "Be able to love."

Do not look only on the surface of things, for all that glitters is not necessarily gold. "The Lord seeth not as man seeth. For man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart." Samuel 16:7.

Feed the flower of the soul. Feed a deeper spirit of life. It can be the greatest experience possible to a human being. Deep within, something miraculous happens and thereafter you will never be the same again. You will be filled with warmth, joy and

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God can reactivate your life. Enduring happiness can come by putting God first and His will for your future. God can go above and beyond your greatest desire. Gratefully accept what he sends. Work through difficulties and trust in God's love and protection.

Every person feels the thoughts of God in their way, but the thoughts of life can be less painful if in everything you give Him thanks. All things work together for the good of those who love Him.

"Here is a wonderful way to begin each day," wrote reader Mike Ferraro. "Dear Lord, there is nothing that will happen today that I can't handle with Your help."

Even in our darkest hour, we

are never alone. Live courageously, be a hero in the strife. Progress always involves risks, but difficulties can be great opportunities in disguise.

"When one door closes, a window opens," said reader Richard Vizzello. If you look too long and regretfully upon the closed door you may miss a golden ray of bright happiness streaming in the window.

Everything you think affects your spirit, mind and invisible countenance. Think happy thoughts. Leave behind any negative thinking in order for your life to bloom and grow.

Feed your mind daily with positive thoughts, inspiration and prayer. Life will give you what you think and expect. So

expect good things to happen. A budding rose may one day lose its petals. Words of love, gentle hands and a caring soul can bring to life the beauty of more blossoming bloom. Give to others freely and you will bloom even more. A generous person will prosper radiantly. Share and give an arm full of glorious bouquets.

You life will blossom every day. Let's make 1999 a year to be remembered.

There are years that ask questions and years that answer, a time and season for everything under the sun.

I am so looking forward to the year ahead, dear readers. Our journey has just begun. And the Lord said, "It is good."

Milestones

Leonard Dylsik celebrates a birthday today, March 14.

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Pauline Wilhelm celebrates a birthday March 20.

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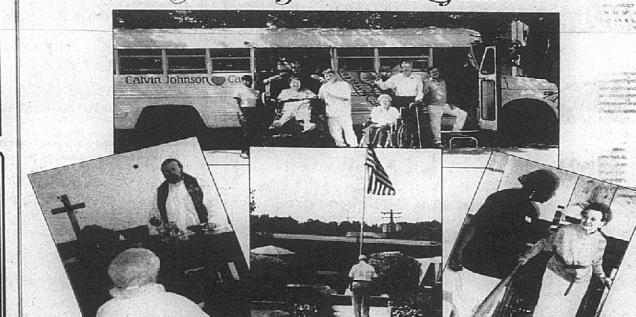
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'Cruel Intentions' twisted comedy

By Ronnie Roy
Staff writer

When last we checked in on Sarah Michelle Gellar's budding film career, just last year, she was serving love on a platter in the sappy romantic comedy, "Simply Irresistible."

For REVIEW "Cruel

"Intensions," she trades in sappy for sexy, romance for lust and the comedy is sick and twisted.

Director/writer Roger Kumble has created a teen-age version of "Dangerous Liaisons," completed with hot young cast and hip soundtrack. It will probably appeal to the youth market, but not many others.

Stellar stars as wealthy Kathryn Merteuil-Vaumont — Milla Brady by day, Jezabel by night. The most popular girl at her New York prep school, she somehow manages to keep her extra-curricular activities secret.

Kathryn's stepbrother, Sebastian (Ryan Phillippe), enjoys similar recreation, but thanks to sexual double standards makes no secret of his conquests. In fact, Sebastian is on his way to

becoming a school legend due to his exploits.

Kathryn doesn't think this is fair, especially when the boys she gets involved with dump her for her fresh, unspoiled peers. When her latest boyfriend leaves her for Cecile (Reese Witherspoon), Kathryn plots revenge. She becomes Cecile's friend and plans to ruin her. Part of that plan involves Sebastian.

But Sebastian isn't interested. He's found a greater challenge in Annette Hargrove (Reese Witherspoon), daughter of the school's new headmaster. She has recently published a manifesto on virginity for a number of publications. She plans to wait until marriage, and her boyfriend, Sebastian, understands.

Kathryn doesn't think he's up to the task, and her bet is made. If he succeeds in getting Annette, he can then have his way with Kathryn; if he fails, he has to turn over his car to Kathryn.

Sebastian's plan involves Annette, who is conveniently staying at his aunt's house, while Kathryn continues in her plans to ruin Cecile.

But things go awry when

Annette warms Sebastian's



Ryan Phillippe, Sarah Michelle Gellar, Reese Witherspoon and Selma Blair star in the Columbia Pictures film, "Cruel Intentions."

cold heart.

"Cruel Intentions" is a tragi-comedy that falls apart once it turns to love story. Phillippe's Sebastian is manipulative and evil in the beginning that it's hard to buy his conversion. But most manipulative is Witherspoon's Annette, who forgoes her boyfriend and her vow of chastity for the first guy who tells her he loves her.

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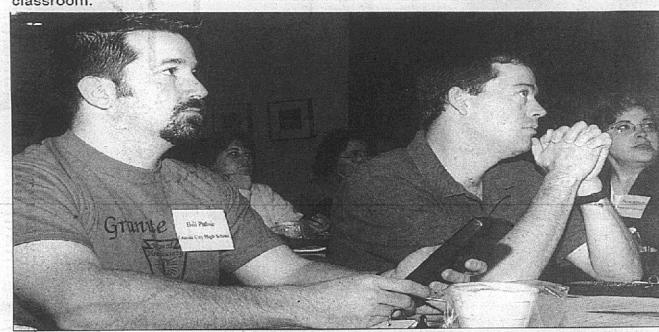
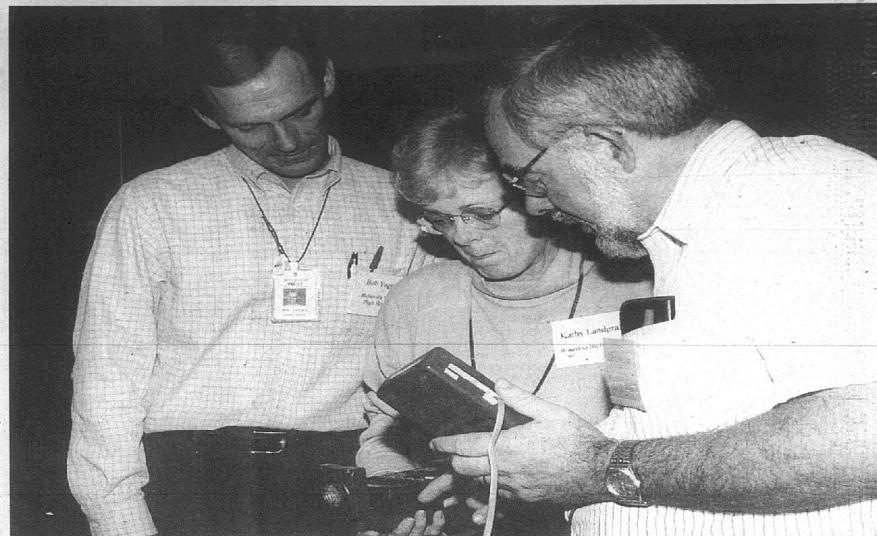
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Crash course in calculators

At right, Belleville West teacher Bob Yagge, left, and Waterloo High School teachers Kathy Landgraf and Lloyd Wacker review the results of their assignment charting movement on a graphing calculator during the Connecting Math and Science Workshop recently held at Belleville Area College. High school teachers from Southern Illinois came together to learn about ways to use the calculators and related equipment in the classroom.



Granite City High School teachers Bill Puhse and Barry Grote do their homework with the help of Teachers Teaching With Technology trainer Aurelia Weil.



Dupo High School teacher James Thomas, from left, O'Fallon High School teacher Pat Hasenstab and Sparta High School teacher Martha House brush up on their skills.



Freeburg High School teachers Missie Steve and Greg Frerking concentrate on the task at hand.



Venice High School teacher James Fulton, left, and Belleville West teacher Ryan Endsley use their calculators.



At right, Granite City High School teacher Denise Albrecht and Coulterville High School teacher Gayle North put their heads together to solve a math problem. The workshop was hosted by BAC's Math Department with funding from the Belleville Area College Foundation Monsanto Fund and Texas Instruments.

BAC photos

Computer course teaches students about alcohol abuse

By Sanford J. Schmidt
Staff writer

A computer course at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville called Alcohol 101 is teaching students who have first-hand knowledge about the dangers of using it.

The course, contained on a CD-ROM, teaches students the facts about alcohol and the likely images, both still and on video, snappy one-liners and some of their own input.

Students who get in trouble using alcohol in the dorms are required to take the course as part of their probation, said Mary Byron, wellness coordinator at SIUE.

With some input about the student's weight, food consumption, age and drinking habits, the Alcohol 101 program can tell how long it would take to get a blood-alcohol content back to zero for different amounts of alcohol consumption.

Depending on what level the student clicked on, he or she can view a video of the father of a college student who died in an alcohol-related accident or find out the average alcohol consumption of students in a national window survey, among other topics.

"The students who take the course usually estimate the average male student takes 20 shots a week and the average female 10 drinks, but the actual number is seven and three," Byron said.

Byron said that is because the students who take the course are among other students who actually do drink as much as they estimate. Seeing the actual numbers may prompt thinking about

moving toward the lesser amount, Byron said.

Byron said the program, developed by the University of Illinois and The Century Council, provides physiological, psychological and social information to help college students make responsible decisions.

The Century Council is a national, non-profit organization founded by America's leading distillers and dedicated to reducing drunken driving and underage drinking.

"We're finding Alcohol 101 to be a powerful program to help students make informed choices," Byron said.

"The program gives students a set of practical behavioral tools to help them maintain personal safety and control in a wide range of situations. Using the program, they can make a wrong choice, such as driving too much, and see what happens."

Usually it's not pretty. Then they can try again and this time make a responsible decision."

In the imaginary world of Alcohol 101, students end up at a raucous party, meet new people, find out a little about some of them and discovering the decisions and consequences regarding their use of alcohol.

Using the interactive video, audio, video graphics and text, the game encourages students to explore key issues often associated with alcohol misuse among college students.

The host of the program is a lava lamp named Norm, short for Positive Norming. Norm introduces students to the virtual reality bar where they can experiment with different

types and varying amounts of liquor to explore the impact of their drinking.

"We have a zero tolerance policy for underage drinking in our computer game," Byron said. "A student who violates the policy is placed on residential probation and must complete and pass a family extension test we've developed that accompanies the game."

She said the program may be extended to student orientations, become part of an athlete's training or be used by the general student population.

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Byron said the program appeals to young people. "It gets young people to listen. It's a fast-moving, multimedia experience consistent with how students have indicated they prefer to receive information, particularly prevention education," she said. "Alcohol 101 allows young people to draw their own conclusions."

The program will be the centerpiece of SIUE's observance of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism's "Alcohol Awareness Month" from 5 to 6:30 p.m. April 15 in the Morris University Center.

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Mercedes-Benz

Five-speed added to SLK

By Tom Strongman

When Mercedes-Benz brought out its cute little two-seat roadster two years ago, it lacked a five-speed manual transmission. That problem has been fixed.

A five-speed transmission is now standard, and the five-speed automatic is a \$900 option. The base price has gone up slightly, too, from \$39,700 to \$40,000.

Even though Mercedes-Benz says the SLK acts like a sports car, it's not. The five-cylinder (DOHC) four-cylinder with 185 horsepower drives the rear wheels. The supercharger puffs air into the engine via an intercooler that reduces the temperature of the incoming air. Dense air equals more power. Even though this engine is fairly small, the supercharger fattens up the mid-range responsiveness so it almost feels like a six-cylinder.

Also new for 1999 is a Sport Package (\$3,990) designed by AMG. It includes 17-inch wheels and performance-oriented body work for the

side sills as well as both front and rear fascia. The Sport Package is not only tough, and turns the SLK into the visual equivalent of Mighty Mouse on steroids.

On the road, the ride is choppy. For optimum handling, the rear tires are bigger and lower in profile, and can then grip them. Their profile is wide and flat, giving them substantial grip. Drive into a corner and they grab the road like cat's claws on a shag carpet. The wide tires and stiff suspension cause some darting around in corners, but part of the reason is the road is smooth.

During a recent flurry of snow, the wide tires' difficulty with traction was pronounced. Thankfully, full-range traction control (ASR) is standard. The ASR in the instrument panel winked at me frequently. The standard SLK with snow tires probably would make a better winter car than the Sport Package.

Anti-lock brakes are standard, as well. A power, retractable hardtop gives all-weather protection, yet folds electronically into the trunk in just 25 seconds. Trunk space is



pretty limited when the top is retracted, so pack lightly if you intend to motor al fresco.

Despite its hardtop, the SLK is noisier than a fixed-roof coupe and there is a minimal amount of body shake.

The cockpit is pretty tight. Styling is a mixture of face and aged trim rings, like older cars. Plastic with a pattern on it is used for trim on the center console. Dual-zone temperature controls shape like wheels instead of rotary dials are set into the dash, and to me they were not as intuitive as dials.

A large center console pops out of the center of the dash. Interior storage is limited in spite of various small cubbies.

Some folks who rode with me thought the test car's red and black leather interior was overdone. Other color choices include light tan

and black, navy blue and black, or all black.

Safety items include front and side air bags, dual rollover bars and reinforced windshield pillars. Brake Assist is a system that detects a possible stop and applies the brakes for the driver, than turns off the passenger air bag when a special child-safety seat from Mercedes is used.

The diminutive SLK joins other German roadsters like BMW and Porsche, and now that it is available with a manual transmission it has a sportier personality.

The base price of our test car was \$40,000. Options included heated front seats, Sport Pack, and integrated CD changer and hands-free cellular phone.

The sticker price was \$46,575.

The warranty is for four years or 50,000 miles.

Company to display 1904 St. Louis car

By Rick Stoff

A 1904 St. Louis car has become the centerpiece of an Ohio company's centennial celebration.

The car was one of the first fitted with Timken tapered roller bearings. It was restored by current and retired Timken employees for display at the company's headquarters in Canton, It

also will be taken to special events

across the country.

The St. Louis car was built in St.

Louis from 1899 to 1905. Engineer George

Dorris of the St. Louis Motor Carriage

Co. used Timken bearings in some of the

360 St. Louis cars that were produced. Timken said only eight St. Louis cars still exist. Its copy is one of three 1904 models that have been located.

The body is made entirely of wood, and the car has a top. Engine and transmission were rebuilt. Engine and transmission came with a set of wrenches, a spare can of oil, an extra spark plug, a mat and a gong, a 1904 equivalent of today's horn.

The company purchased the car in February 1997. Two current Timkens ceremoniously removed its original rear-axle wheel bearings when the restoration began.

"I was amazed at the condition of the

bearing — it was still operational," said W.R. Timken Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer of the company. "Our research associates are carefully studying the bearings to learn more about manufacturing at the turn of the century."

The company said its bearings allowed turn-of-the-century vehicles to survive the pounding of rough roads.

W.R. Timken and his father founded their company in 1899 and sold three of their first bearings to Dorris.

"Henry Timken told his sons never to put their name to anything they would not be willing to stand behind," said W.R. Timken Jr. "I believe he was proud of his alliance with the St. Louis Motor Carriage Co."

A century after the company was founded,

Timken employs 21,000 people and recorded about \$2.6 billion in 1998 sales.

The St. Louis car was built in a factory on North Vandeventer Avenue, according to the "Standard Catalog of American Cars 1894-1942" (Krause Publications, Inc., Waukesha, Wis.).

The 1904 St. Louis was offered in three models: a single-cylinder, nine-horsepower runabout; a single-cylinder, 10.5-horsepower tonneau; and a three-cylinder, 24-horsepower tonneau.

St. Louis Motor Carriage Co. moved to Peoria, Ill., in 1905, when Dorris' partner, John L. French, decided to take his business and company name out of town. It went out of business there in 1907, with the French family admitting the company was "financially embarrassed."

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Employment

Architects design future

Rookies need experience, education to make break into competitive field

By Barbara Ponder

The greatest building starts with a piece of paper and so does a career in architecture.

Architects must obtain at least a bachelor's degree. Unlike in other fields, a bachelor's degree in architecture takes five years to complete.

However, academics alone usually is not sufficient for a graduate to land a job in the highly competitive field.

Douglas Light, project manager with Grubbs & Associates, a Hazelwood architectural firm.

Students should work in an architectural firm during summers or through a cooperative learning program, if one exists at the college.

Light began working in architectural firms while in high school.

"You really need to have those offices in the real world," he said. "You need to know how a firm really operates. There's things you cannot learn in an academic atmosphere."

Bachelor's degree in hand, an architect then must work for three years under a licensed architect before becoming eligible to take the state licensing exam.

The nine-part examination,

which costs about \$1,000, is given locally through the Sylvan Technology Centers. An architect may spread the parts out over time and may retake any part, at an additional charge.

Light plans to take only for approval to take the test shortly.

"It's a tough exam," he said. "Like most other firms, works locally and out-of-state."

Building codes

switch from state to state," Light said. "You don't have to take an architect test but you have to fill out the red tape and pay fees."

Continuing education seminars and courses, is required to maintain licensing.

Light said an architect must work effectively with consultants, contractors and others to represent the client locally and preparing construction documents.

Listening is an important skill, particularly when talking to clients, and an architect must avoid pushing his own ideas too hard.

Artistic abilities and business sense also are important.

Computer-aided design and drafting (CADD) has eliminated repetitive drawing. With CADD, an architect can easily move and size drawings and overlay plans to see how everything, including electrical and plumbing systems, align.

Light prefers working in



Douglas Light is a project manager with Grubbs & Associates in Hazelwood.

small- to mid-sized firms because they offer a wide range of experience.

Architects in larger firms often specialize in one aspect of a project, he said.

Grubbs & Associates, which David L. Grubbs began eight years ago, has five architects and focuses on commercial architecture.

"One of our biggest forte is banks," Light said.

Among the firm's completed

Commercial Bank in Florissant and the UMB Bank St. Louis in Brentwood.

"Now we're (also) getting a lot of retirement centers because a lot of Baby Boomers are coming of age," Light said.

Architects may work long hours, particularly as deadlines loom. Sticking to the schedule is emphasized even in college, where Light said a student would lose a letter grade on a late assignment.

Unlike a student, though, a working architect is rewarded

with a finished project.

"That makes it all worthwhile," Light said. "In school, you're always doing design but you never see it go any farther than the paper."

Light estimated starting salaries for entry-level architects at between \$30,000 and \$30,000, depending the firm's size.

Most of Grubbs' business comes from repeat clients and referrals, he said. Good contacts are critical to an architect hoping to found a firm.

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